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A is an afs ; a poor dull lazy beast ;
His reward is a stick, and a bramble his
feast.

B is a beauty all cheerful and gay ;
But her beauty soon fades like a flower in
May.

C is a cock—up betimes in the morning ;
To idle young fluggards a very good warn-
ing.

D is a drunkard both ugly and black ;
And such are all those who follow his
track.

E is an emmet who works all the day ;
To reprove naughty boys who love nothing
but play.

F is a fox who loves cheating and steal-
ing ;
But the dogs will soon give him a grievous
sharp feeling.

G is a glutton who eats till he's sick ;
But the doctor and death will soon play him
a trick.

H is a hog, good for naught till he's dead ;
He's the miser's own brother, tho' much
better fed.

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T is an image that looks very fine ;
But his head's without brains, and so (may
be) is thine.

J is a jewel that's little in size ;
And yet it is reckon'd a wonderful prize.
K is a king, and rules the whole nation ;
Yet he meets (though a king) with a deal
of vexation.

L is a Lion, the lord of the wood ;
But he's fear'd more than lov'd, as de-
lighting in blood.

M is a monkey that's full of his play ;
But, for want of employ, at no mischief
he'll stay.

N is a nosegay, all sweet and all fair ;
But when 'tis grown old, 'tis thrown by
without care.

O is an owl that's looks wonderful sage ;
But he's purblind and cross, and not fit
for a cage.

P is a preacher who teaches the town ;
Let him see that his life is no shame to his
gown.

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